

Washington Forest Practices Adaptive Management Science Conference

April 7th, 2006

Please Mark your calendar and plan to attend.

The Cooperative Monitoring Evaluation and Research Committee (CMER) of the Timber, Fish and Wildlife Program announces the third annual Forest Practices Adaptive Management Science Conference on April 7th, 2006 in Olympia, Washington. CMER is responsible for conducting applied research in support of adaptive management of the Forests and Fish Agreement, which governs forestry practices on most private and state lands in Washington State. The Forests and Fish Agreement, which was signed into law in 1999, was designed to meet Clean Water Act requirements and ESA standards for all fish species and seven species of stream associated amphibians.

The one day conference will highlight the results of CMER studies including:

- Amphibian genetic perspective in managed forests
- Tail frog occupancy and managed landscapes
- Salamander use of wood debris
- Shade and amphibian populations
- Seasonal movement of fish at the upper extent of fish distribution
- Evaluating the effectiveness of FFR road prescriptions
- Under-story and over-story shading in headwater streams with FFR buffer zones
- Effectiveness of bull trout buffer zone prescriptions to maintain water temperature
- Forested wetland regeneration after timber harvest
- Validating the desired future condition of FFR buffer zones
- Water temperate in streams with hardwood conversion buffer zones

The conference will be held on the Washington State Capitol Campus at the DSHS Office Building 2 Auditorium in Olympia. Presentations are scheduled from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm. There is no fee for the conference, however **reservations are required**. More information on agenda, travel, and lodging will be available later in March on the CMER web site:

<http://www.dnr.wa.gov/forestpractices/adaptivemanagement/>

To register, please send an e-mail including your name, affiliation, mailing address, e-mail address and telephone number to: Dannette Fout at Dfout@wfpa.org

Please forward this announcement to others who may wish to attend.